

October 2021 Monthly Report

Below is the Ross Adams Mine Project Monthly Progress Report for work performed by the Ross Adams Project Respondents during October 2021. This Monthly Progress Report contains the information specified in the Statement of Work (SOW), as Attachment B to the ASAOC.

- ***Describe work performed during the prior month:***
 - Newmont and the USFS exchanged emails regarding the status of USFS review of the Pre-Design Investigation (PDI) Work Plans and the intertidal zone.
 - Newmont submitted responses to the USFS follow-up comments on the Mine Portal Pre-Design Investigation Work Plan on October 13th.
 - Upon receipt of the USFS comments, Newmont and Worthington Miller Environmental (WME) reviewed and initiated preparation of responses to the USFS comments and updating the PDI Work Plans.
 - Newmont, WME, and the USFS had conference calls on October 14th and October 28th to discuss project planning, Removal Action work in the intertidal zone, the potential for other on-Site borrow sources identified by the USFS, the USFS comments received to date on the PDI Work Plans, and the status of the USFS review of the remaining PDI Work Plans.
- ***Provide a summary of all results of sampling, tests and all other data received or generated by Respondents during the prior month, unless otherwise reported in other deliverables or to be reported in Pre-Design Investigation Reports:***
 - No sampling or testing was performed.
- ***Identify all deliverables that Respondents submitted to the USFS during the prior month:***
 - Newmont submitted the September Progress Report by email to the USFS on October 9th.
 - Newmont submitted responses to the USFS follow-up comments on the Mine Portal Pre-Design Investigation Work Plan on October 13th.
- ***Describe all activities relating to Removal Action construction that are scheduled for the next month:***
 - Newmont will prepare and submit revised PDI Work Plans.
 - Newmont will continue project planning activities and schedule assessments.
 - Newmont and the USFS will hold a bi-weekly conference call scheduled for November 18th.
- ***Provide an updated construction schedule, together with information regarding percentage of completion, delays encountered or anticipated that may affect the future schedule, and a description of efforts taken to mitigate those delays:***
 - The project schedule has been substantially delayed due to the USFS delay in reviewing and providing comments on the PDI Work Plans. Newmont verbally informed the USFS that the Pre-Design Investigations will be delayed until the 2022 field season, assuming work plans are approved by the end of 2021.
 - The draft project schedule has been updated, as provided in the attachment, to reflect the USFS approval of the PDI Work Plans by the end of 2021 and implementation of the Pre-Design Investigations during the 2022 field season.

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- ***Describe any modifications to the Removal Action or schedules, including consultation with the USFS and approval by the USFS, when necessary, during the prior month:***
 - No Removal Action modifications were made during the prior month. As described above, an updated draft project schedule is attached.
- ***Describe activities undertaken by Respondents in support of the Community Involvement Plan during the prior month and those to be undertaken, as requested by the USFS, if any, in the next month:***
 - No Community Involvement Plan activities were undertaken or requested by the USFS.